

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA
LAKE CHARLES DIVISION**

STATE OF LOUISIANA, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Case No. 2:24-cv-629

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT
OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION,

Defendant.

UNITED STATES CONFERENCE
OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Case No. 2:24-cv-691

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT
OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION, *et
al.*,

Defendants.

[PROPOSED] ORDER CONSOLIDATING ACTIONS

Consistent with this Court’s oral ruling at the June 5, 2024 Motion Hearing and Status Conference, it is hereby ORDERED that the above-captioned cases (the “Cases”) are consolidated for purposes of any discovery and pre-trial motion practice. The Court reserves judgment on whether, if applicable, the Cases are to be consolidated for trial. Notwithstanding consolidation, the Cases shall retain their separate identities.

Additionally, Defendants' deadline for responding to the Complaints in both Cases shall be July 29, 2024.

It is so ordered.

DATED: June __, 2024

David C. Joseph
United States District Judge